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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 19, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the specification:

Please amend Figure 2B as indicated in red on the sheet submitted herewith.

In the claims:

Please add the following new claims 60-114.

E1 --60. (New) A method of identifying an inhibitor of IL-13 binding to the IL-13 receptor which comprises:

- (a) combining a receptor chain protein with IL-13 or a biologically active fragment thereof, said combination forming a first binding mixture;
- (b) measuring the amount of binding between the receptor chain protein and the IL-13 or fragment in the first binding mixture;
- (c) combining a compound with the receptor chain protein and the IL-13 or fragment to form a second binding mixture;
- (d) measuring the amount of binding in the second binding mixture; and

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